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SUBJECT: FRASER LETTER

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE LETTER FROM DON FRASER TO MR. VANCE ON THE QUESTION OF SEEING BOB BOETTCHER. PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHETHER MR. VANCE WILL AGREE TO SEE. WE ALL BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT FOR HIM TO DO SO ALTHOUGH WE SHOULD LIMIT IT TO NOT MORE THAN A HALF HOUR IN MR. VANCE'S OFFICE.

BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. SECRETARY:

THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS PLANS TO COMMENCE A SERIES OF COMPREHENSIVE HEARINGS IN MID FEBRUARY AS PART OF THE INVESTIGATION OF KOREAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS. WE WILL ENDEAVOR TO TRACE THE ORIGINS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOUTH KOREAN LOBBYING SCHEME IN CHRONOLOGICAL SEQUENCE IN THE CONTEXT OF RESPECTIVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOREIGN POLICY CONCERNS OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.

FOR BACKGROUND USE IN PREPARATION FOR THE HEARINGS, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR US TO GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING

OF YOUR MISSION TO SEOUL IN 1968 AS PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S

SPECIAL ENVOY. ACCORDINGLY, I WOULD BE MOST GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD GIVE THE SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF A FEW MINUTES FOR A CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MISSION TO SEOUL. IF SUCH A MEETING IS AGREEABLE TO YOU, I WOULD PROPOSE TO SEND ROBERT BOETTCHER, STAFF DIRECTOR (WITH WHOM I BELIEVE YOU ARE ACQUAINTED BY WAY OF A UNA POLICY PANEL ON JAPAN); MICHAEL HERSHMAN, DEPUTY STAFF DIRECTOR; AND GORDON FREEDMAN, ONE OF OUR STAFF INVESTIGATORS.

WITH BEST WISHES AND ADMIRATION, I AM

SINCERELY YOURS,

DONALD M. FRASER, CHAIRMAN SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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